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MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2061.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

THE Public is hereby notified that bubonic plague has been detected in the body of a Chinese who died in No. 4 Sanitary Sub-District of the Settlement (Alabaster Road) on October 26.

All the houses in this Sub-District will be visited daily by the officers of the Health Department so as to detect any cases of sickness at the outset, and suspicious cases will be removed to the Chinese Isolation Hospital.

While these measures are considered sufficient in the present circumstances, it may be necessary to take other steps in the event of further cases being brought to light. In the meanwhile the Council trusts that residents in the Settlement, both Foreign and Chinese, will co-operate with the Health Department by notification to the Inspectors of all suspicious cases coming under their notice.

The disastrous consequences of failure to comply with this obligation must be apparent.

By order,

W. E. LEVESON,

Secretary.

Council Room,

Shanghai, October 27, 1910.

NOTICE.

PLAGUE.

NOTICE is hereby given that, in accordance with Article XV of the Land Regulations, a Special Meeting of Ratepayers will be held in the Town Hall, on Monday, November 14, 1910, at 5 o'clock p.m. to consider and approve for transmission to the Consular and Diplomatic Bodies a Resolution whereby the undernoted additional Byelaws relating to matters affecting the Public Health shall be attached to the Land Regulations.

These Byelaws are identical with those proposed by the Municipal Council in 1903 and 1906, which failed to secure public sanction owing to the non-attendance of the requisite number of Ratepayers. Their authorization is especially desirable at the present time, so that the Council may be placed in a position to deal with the outbreak of bubonic plague.

The attendance of all qualified Ratepayers is particularly requested.

Shanghai, November 1, 1910.

David Landale	T. C. Downing
W. A. C. Platt	A. McLeod
Harry De Gray	E. C. Richards
H. J. Craig	Otto Struckmeyer
H. A. J. Macray	Leslie J. Cubitt
Herbert D. Hutchison	Ernest L. Marsh
T. E. Trueman	H. G. Simms
C. Selby Moore	Jas. N. Jameson
H. Hunter	F. H. Gamburg
L. Midwood	R. McE. Dalgliesh
Geo. W. Noel	H. C. Gulland
W. S. Jackson	H. Arnhold
A. W. Burkill	Loftus E.P. Jones
Edw. F. Mackay	M. Hoerter.

PUBLIC HEALTH BYELAWS.

XXX A.

Infectious disease to be notified.—Every person practising medicine surgery or midwifery within such limits shall furnish the Officer of Health with immediate notice in writing of all cases coming under their care of small-pox, cholera, typhoid fever, typhus fever, diphtheria, scarlet fever, tuberculosis, plague, anthrax, glanders, leprosy, hydrophobia, beri-beri, and any other infectious disease that may from time to time be required, which notice shall include the name and address of the sick person and the nature of the disease. If any inmate of any premises be suffering from any such infectious disease and be not under the care of a medical practitioner the liability to notify the Officer of Health of such disease or of a suspicion of such disease shall rest with the occupier or keeper of such premises, or in default of such occupier or keeper with the nearest male adult relative living on such premises or in default of such occupier or keeper or such relative with the person in charge of or in attendance on the sick person.

If such medical practitioner or such occupier or keeper or such relative fail so to notify he shall be liable to a penalty or fine not exceeding ten dollars for every day's neglect thereof.

XXX B.

Isolation.—If at any time the Officer of Health or any medical practitioner certify to the Council that any person suffering from any infectious disease is a danger to the public health through imperfect isolation or disinfection the Council shall order such person to be removed to any Isolation Hospital provided for the purpose and there detained so long as such danger remain and the Council may recover the expense of such removal and detention in the same manner as damages.

XXX C.

Wilful Exposure.—No person within such limits who knows himself to be suffering from any of the aforesaid infectious diseases shall wilfully expose himself without proper precaution against spreading such disease in any street, public place, shop or inn, or being in charge of any person so suffering so expose such sufferer or give lend sell transmit remove or expose without previous disinfection or retain in any premises without taking proper steps for disinfection, any bedding clothing or other articles which have been exposed to infection from such disease under a penalty or fine not exceeding fifty dollars or one month's imprisonment, with or without hard labour.

No person within such limits who knows himself to be suffering from such infectious disease shall milk any animal or wash any clothes or engage in any trade business or occupation in such a manner as to be liable to spread such disease, under a penalty or fine not exceeding one hundred dollars or two months' imprisonment with or without hard labour.

XXX D.

Vaccination.—Every person above the age of six months shall be effectively vaccinated against small-pox and reasonable proof of effective vaccination may be required in the case of every such person in default of such proof a fine not exceeding five dollars may be imposed for each conviction.

XXX E.

Overcrowding.—Every building or any part thereof found to be inhabited in excess of a proportion of one person for every thirty square feet of habitable floor space of superficial area and four hundred cubic feet of clear and unobstructed internal air space shall be deemed to be overcrowded, and the householder shall be liable to a penalty or fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars.

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AT the Special Meeting of the Watch Committee held on October 27, 1910, at 4 p.m., there are present:

Messrs. W. A. C. Piatt (*Chairman*)
H. J. Craig
D. Landale
H. A. J. Macray
The Acting Health Officer
The Captain Superintendent of Police
The Secretary and Assistant Secretary

Bubonic Plague.—This special meeting of the Committee has been convened for the discussion of a report by the Health Officer in which he notifies the death of a Chinese from bubonic plague in No. 4 Northern Sanitary Sub-district. He states specifically what immediate steps he considers necessary, and these are approved by the Committee:

Shanghai, October 27, 1910.

I have to report for the information of the Council that human bubonic plague has appeared in the No. 4 Northern Sub-district in the vicinity of the Ewo godown which was reported rat-plague infected on September 29. Since that time this neighbourhood has been under close surveillance and several suspicious deaths investigated, but although these corpses were inspected, nothing definite was found until yesterday evening when material taken from a bubo in a man who had died in Alabaster Road was found to contain virulent plague bacilli. Four plague rats have also been found in this Sub-district during the month and two others outside the adjacent Settlement boundary, but the disease both in rats and human beings appears to be strictly confined so far to this Sub-district.

I would strongly deprecate anything like panic legislation, but it is evident that in face of this most serious situation immediate action is necessary and I propose therefore the following measures for repressing the disease:—

(1) The No. 4 Northern Sub-district to be declared plague infected.

(2) All the houses in the infected Sub-district to be visited daily, so as to detect any cases of sickness at the outset,

(3) Suspicious cases to be at once removed to the Isolation Hospital and all the contacts to be segregated for observation and disinfection, during which time their houses and effects also will be thoroughly disinfected.

(4) At present I think the Chinese Isolation Hospital will afford sufficient accommodation both for the sick and the suspected contacts, but if necessary temporary quarters. I suggest matshed structures erected in the Isolation Hospital Compound—will have to be provided for the contacts.

(5) If the disease spreads the Health Office staff must be increased in order to cope with the additional work.

It will be seen from the above that it will be necessary to obtain from the Council *immediate* authority (1) to make the notification of all cases obligatory under penalty for concealment, (2) for our officers to make house to house visits and to remove compulsorily if need be all plague and suspected cases to the Isolation Hospital and all contacts to segregation quarters. Needless to say I shall impress on the staff to deal tactfully in the matter as the exhibition of unnecessary force excites opposition and defeats its own object, and (3) to incur such expenditure as may be necessary. It is impossible to estimate requirements so I must ask the Council to give me a free hand in this respect, keeping down expenses as much as is compatible with effective work. Economy in this crisis may prove a very extravagant policy.

I propose to convene an early meeting of medical men to discuss the situation and obtain their co-operation and I think the Chinese authorities in Paoshan should be notified, for, in all probability, cases are occurring or will occur in the adjacent district off the N. Thibet Road where plague rats were found.

A plain statement of facts should be published pointing out that there is no cause for alarm but every reason for carefully carrying out the measures indicated in previous Health Reports.

The experience of other large Eastern seaports does not lead one to be sanguine about stamping out the disease in Shanghai, but I can assure the Council that the Health Office Staff will spare no effort in their endeavours to achieve this object."

A. MOORE,
Acting Health Officer.

The powers which Dr. Moore asks for are conceded to him under the Council's authority, but he states, and the Committe concurs, that extreme measures will not be necessary at first, e.g. (i) Police assistance will only be required if the Health Inspectors are unable to meet the conditions which arise, such assistance will be rendered only upon Dr. Moore's special requisition; (ii) the segregation of contacts will not be operative at once unless they submit voluntarily; (iii) such expenditure as Dr. Moore finds necessary is authorised; (iv) the nursing staff as required will be entrusted with the supervision of trained Chinese boys; (v) Dr. Moore will convene an informal meeting of medical men and, informing them of the facts, will seek their assistance and co-operation; (vi) he will report fully and frequently to the Committee as to the progress of the measures which he is taking, the Committee undertaking to meet whenever required.

A Municipal Notification following the first of his recommendations is submitted and approved for immediate issue. A letter to the Consular Body stating the facts and asking for the Consul's approval of the Council's action is also adopted for signature and dispatch. Therein reference is made to the desirability of early notification of the Taotai of what is taking place, and to the advisability of the issue of instructions that the work of the Department be not impeded by the authorities in Chapei:—

Council Room,
Shanghai, October 27, 1910.

SIR,—I take the earliest opportunity of informing the Consular Body that human bubonic plague has been detected in the corpse of a man who died in Alabaster Road, i.e. in No. 4 Northern Sanitary Sub-district of the Settlement. This discovery follows closely upon more than one suspected similar death in the same Sub-district, and the detection of plague rats therein during the month.

The Council is taking what steps are necessary in the opinion of the Acting Health Officer for the prevention so far as is possible of the further spread of the disease, and to this end all the houses in the infected Sub-district will be visited daily so as to detect any cases of sickness at the outset; suspicious cases will be removed to the Chinese Isolation Hospital, and it may be necessary that all contacts be segregated for observation and inspection,

These measures and their public notification are considered all that is desirable for the present, but it is my duty to draw the attention of the Consular Body to the fact that the Council has no powers of compulsory segregation and isolation of infectious disease; such powers were sought in 1903 but were not obtained. I have the honour to enclose a copy of the Bye-laws then drafted, and to state that with the approval of the Consular Body the Council will act as though these Bye-laws were in fact operative in respect to the Sub district in question.

The urgency of this matter will, I do not doubt, be apparent to yourself and to your colleagues, and I would point out that the infected neighbourhood is one closely adjoining Chapei District, where the opposition of the Native Authorities has prevented those measures being taken against plague infected rats, which have been in operation throughout the Settlement during the past year.

There is not wanting the suspicion that the outbreak is due to the obstructive attitude to which I allude, and subject again to the approval of the Consular Body, the measures which will be taken under the direction of the Acting Health Officer in Sub-district No. 4, will be applied in case of need in those portions of Chapei which adjoin. It is therefore the Council's desire that the earliest possible intimation may be given to the Taotai of the facts which I have stated, so that he may issue such directions as will prevent the Health Department from being impeded in their work, in the general interests of the Port and of its trade.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
DAVID LANDALE,
Chairman.

Sir PELHAM WARREN, K.C.M.G.,
H.M. Consul-General
and Senior Consul.

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H.M. Consulate-General,
Shanghai, October 30, 1910.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th instant informing the Consular Body that human bubonic plague had been detected in the corpse of a man who died in the northern sanitary sub-district of the Settlement.

You enclosed in your letter a copy of certain bye-laws drafted in 1903 under which the Council sought for powers of compulsory segregation and isolation of infectious disease. The powers sought for under these bye-laws were not obtained, and the Council now state that with the approval of the Consular Body they propose to act as though these bye-laws were in fact operative in respect to the sub-district in question.

I am instructed to inform you that, as a matter of urgency, the Consular Body agree to these bye-laws being held to be temporarily operative within the limits of the Settlement.

As regards that part of the Chapei district adjoining the Settlement, we are requesting the Taotai to instruct the Chinese Authorities in Chapei to co-operate with the Acting Health Officer in carrying out such measures as may be required to prevent the spread of the disease.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
PELHAM L. WARREN,
H.M. Consul-General and Senior Consul.

D. LANDALE, Esq.,
Chairman, Municipal Council.

The meeting adjourns at 5.15 p.m.

AT the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, October 26, 1910, at 4.30 p.m., there are present:

Messrs. D. Landale *(Chairman)*
H. J Craig
H. De Gray
H. Du Flon Hutchison
H. A. J. Macray
C. Selby Moore
W. A. C. Platt
T. E. Trueman
The Secretary and
Assistant Secretary

The summons calling the meeting is taken as read.

The minutes of the last meeting are read, confirmed, signed by the Chairman and passed for publication.

Election of Vice-Chairman.

The Chairman proposes that the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr Meuser, be filled by the election of Mr. De Gray, but, upon this member's definite refusal of the office, Mr. Platt is elected to the Vice-Chair: Proposer, Mr. De Gray: Seconder, Mr. Trueman.

Police.

Foreign Branch.— The following promotions are authorized with effect from November 1:—

To be 3rd Class Inspectors.
A. Eek
T. W. Spottiswoode

To be Sub-Inspectors.
C. Craig
J. O'Toole
R. W. Thomas

To be Probationary Sergeants.
C. H. Lilley
G. McKay
J. H. Tait.

Road Extensions and Widenings.

Macgregor Road.—In regard to an application by Messrs. Scott, Christie & Johnson to build on Cadastral Lot 2390 over the scheduled line of the Macgregor Road extension, a report by the Engineer, submitted, points out that owing to the proximity of Dalny Road, which was deviated from the original scheduled position in 1909, existing road facilities at this point are ample for public requirements. It is noted that the public path known as Birt's Lane is not affected by the proposal, and it is decided that the extension, south of the point at which the building will touch it, may be postponed indefinitely. Issue of a permit to build as requested is accordingly authorized.

Electricity Department.

The minutes of the meeting of the Electricity Committee of Thursday, October 20, are read and confirmed.

There were present:—

Messrs. E. C. Pearce *(Chairman)*
G. Wuilleumier
A. H. Collinson
The Electrical Engineer &
The Acting Secretary.

Accounts.—A statement for the half-year ending June 30 is submitted together with the Treasurer's comments, showing an increase of Tls. 18,251 in the net revenue account in comparison with the same period during 1909.

In respect to the new station site at Yangtszepoo, the view of the Finance Committee that interest on the purchase price should be borne by the revenue is noted. The practice of treating this interest as a capital charge is in accordance with that generally adopted in public companies; it was the subject of the special decision by the Committee in March 1909, and should, in the members' opinion, be continued at least for this year.

Heating and Cooking Apparatus for hire:—The Engineer's recommendations in respect to the tenders received in response to Municipal Notification No. 2048 are approved as follows:—

1.—That as delivery of *Radiators* cannot be guaranteed in time for the hire of these before Spring, tenders for these will again be called then, so that they will be in use towards the end of 1911.

2.—That in view of the probable large demand for hire of *Cookers* of which the economy and convenience is certainly to be recognized, 12 of these appliances be ordered instead of 6, and that the lowest tender, that of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson for £185 10s. be accepted.

3.—That for the same 8 *Ovens* be ordered instead of 4, and that the tender of the Shanghai Electric & Asbestos Co. for £107 4s. be accepted.

4.—That likewise 12 *combined Ranges and Grills* instead of 6, be ordered, and that the tender of the Shanghai Electric & Asbestos Co. for £13 18s. be accepted.

5.—That for *Therol Water Heaters* the tender of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson be accepted for £409 for 10 of these appliances of the larger sizes with accelerators, and for 10 more of a smaller size, including certain spare parts.

The names of the unsuccessful tenderers are as follows, their tenders being in a form which does not admit of the usual published tabulated schedule:—

Messrs. Arnhold Karberg & Co.
F. Henrion.
Melchers & Co.
Samuel, McGregor & Co., Ld.
Scott Harding & Co.
Shewan, Tomes & Co.
Siemens China Electrical Engineering Co.
Siemssen & Co.
Rose, Downs & Thompson.

Riverside Power Station.—A report by the Electrical Engineer is submitted recommending that the erection of this building now proceed so that it may be complete by the end of November, 1911.

(The Council approves the scheme outlined, for submission to the Ratepayers subject to certain amendments, and publication of the report and of the Treasurer's comments thereon is postponed pending further consideration by the Committee.)

Tramways: Rolling Stock.—Attention having been drawn to the absence of brakes on trailers, and also to the defective condition of wheels on the cars, the Electrical Engineer is authorized under the terms of Clause 28 of the Tramway Agreement to carry out an inspection of the rolling stock and make recommendations thereon.

Indents.—The following indents have been approved for dispatch to the London Agents since the last meeting of Committee:—

No.	*Firm*	*Article*	*Cost*
863	Bullers Ld.	Insulators and pliers	£29
864	L. Scott & Co., Ld.	Vacuum Gauges	2
865	A. Wright & Co.	Gauges and thermometers	10
866	Ferranti Ld.	Insulating material	10
867	Buck & Hickman	Tools, etc.	22
868	Brit. Electric Transformer Co., Ld.	Repairs to Transformers	20
869	The Library Bureau Ld.	Correspondence files and accessories	42
870	do.	Ledger desk and accessories	56
871	The Addressograph Co. Ld.	Addressograph and accessories	85
872	Kenrick & Jefferson	"Multigrip" current Binders and Renewal leaves	37

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873	Dermatite Co.	Valves and bushes	8
874	The British Electric Transformer Mfg. Co.	Handles for fuses	77
875	Bullers Ld.	Brackets and screws	121
876	The Library Bureau Ld.	Index Cabinet with cards	13
877	The Phillips Commutator Grinder Co. Ld.	Automatic Grinder	33
878	Ferranti Ld.	200 5 ampere Meters	300

[*Other minutes of this meeting relate to matters of departmental administration, and to subjects which are still under consideration.*]

Educational Matters.

The Chairman states that the time has now arrived to form the General Educational Committee in accordance with the Council's undertaking in March last, and he desires that members will formulate their views and consider the question of membership of the Committee, for settlement at next meeting.

The meeting adjourns at 6. p.m.

Notification of Infectious Disease.

The following have been reported during the week ending Sunday, October 30, 1910.	Cases notified among Non-Chinese population of 15,000.	Deaths among Chinese population of 550,000
Small-pox.	1	10
Cholera.	0	0
Typhoid Fever	2	—
Diphtheria.	0	1
Scarlet Fever.	0	0
Tuberculosis	0	12
Plague	0	2
Total Deaths from all Causes	12	132

The following have been reported during the week ending Sunday, November 6, 1910.	Deaths among Chinese population of 550,000	Cases notified among Non-Chinese population of 15,000.
Small-pox.	1	20
Cholera.	0	0
Typhoid Fever.	1	—
Diphtheria.	0	1
Scarlet Fever.	0	0
Tuberculosis.	0	16
Plague	0	4
Total Deaths from all Causes.	7	156

ALFRED MOORE, *Acting Health Officer.*

New Buildings

Issue of permits in respect to the following building applications is authorized :—

24 native houses, Dixwell Road, Cad. Lot 283, Chinese.

Addition to native houses off Woochang Road, Cad. Lot 870, Chinese.

2 native bungalows off North Thibet Road, Cad. Lot 11, H. M. Cumine.

5 native bungalows off Connaught Road, North of Cad. Lot 3591, Chinese.

2 native bungalows, Gordon Road, West of Cad. Lot 4195, Chinese.

Watchman's house, Thorburn Road, Cad. Lot 3910, E. Fuller.

6 native houses off Kaifeng Road, Cad. Lot 49, Chinese.

Public Band.

Public Performances.—Until further notice, performances will be given in the Town Hall every Sunday at 4 30 p.m. and every Friday at 5 30 p m.

On Sundays an orchestral concert will be given and on Fridays dance music will be played. The public is reminded that children under ten years of age are not admitted to the Sunday concerts.

The attendance on Sunday November 6, numbered 690.

The programme for Sunday next, November 13, is as follows :—

1. Overture—"Hunyady Laszlo" Erkel.
2. Miniature Suite — Hartmann.
   1.—"May Festival"
   2.—"Jester's Song"
   3.—"Peasants' Dance"
3. Selection.—"Romeo & Juliet" Gounod.
4. March.—"Le Prophète"... Meyerbeer.
5. Suite.—"Scènes Pittoresques." Massenet.
   (*a*) March (*c*) Angelus
   (*b*) Air de Ballet (*d*) Fête Bohème.
6. Overture.—"William Tell" Rossini.

Conductor, Professor BUCK.

Private Services.—The charge for the services of the Band is Tls. 40, and of a Half-Band, consisting of not less than 3 European and 12 Manila musicians, Tls. 25 per hour or part of an hour.

The services of a smaller number of musicians may be engaged at the rate of Tls. 3 per hour for European, and Tls. 1.50 per hour for Manila musicians.

One rehearsal is permitted without fee, all subsequent rehearsals are charged for at half of the above rates.

For the services of a soloist an additional fee of Tls. 25 is charged, inclusive of such rehearsals as are necessary.

If special music is required special arrangements must be made.

Engagements for more than three performances during a season are subject to a reduction of 20 per cent, for more than twelve performances 40 per cent.

For Sunday performances or services involving marching through the streets double rates are charged.

24 hours' notice is required for the cancellation of any engagement.

The cost of conveyance of musicians for distances beyond a radius of 1 mile from the Municipal offices, Kiangse Road, must be defrayed by the persons engaging them.

The European musicians are allowed to give private music lessons, with the Conductor's permission obtained in each case.

MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 1992

It is requested that Cheques and Compradore orders, whether in payment of Taxes or other Municipal demands and accounts, be made payable to "The Shanghai Municipal Council" and not to any Department or individual.

By order,

W. E. LEVESON,
Secretary.

Council Room,
Shanghai, December 2, 1909.

MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2039.

(Re-issued.)

LOANS OF 1894 AND 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the whole of the outstanding debentures of the above loans will be paid on presentation, properly endorsed by the registered owners to the Treasurer at the Municipal Offices on and after December 31, 1910, and interest will cease from that date.

LOAN of 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following debentures of the above loan have been drawn for redemption and will be paid on presentation, properly endorsed by the registered owner to the Treasurer at the Municipal Offices on and after December 31, 1910, and interest will cease from that date.

Debentures of Tls. 1,000.

8092	8156	8239
8098-9	8158	8246
8100	8162	8252-3
8110	8184-5	8258
8126	8196	8260
8136	8205	8267
8142-3	8218	8269
8147	8221	
8154	8235-6	

Debentures of Tls. 100.

8278	8297	8317
8281-2	8300	8337
8284	8304	8345
8286	8306-7	8351
8289	8309-10	
8292	8313	

By order,

W. E. LEVESON,
Secretary.

Council Room,
Shanghai, November 10, 1910.

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